

to Adolphus Ezra Simons, who was discharged from the Union Army in May 1866 after nearly five full years of active service in Co. C, 37th Ill. Vol. Infy. - After the death of her husband Oct 29th 1877 in Faribault Minn she came to Kansas where she resided until late in life when she made her home with her daughter, Miss Etoile Bessie Simons, who graduated from Kansas University at Lawrence Kansas and then received her degree of Ph D. from Chicago University.

As is elsewhere stated this book largely relates to the experiences of Jennie B (Goody) Simons and her family, beginning with pioneer days and hardships of life in western Kansas beginning with March 1878.